

Senate Resolution 374

By: Senator Pearson of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending musician Jane Little; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Jane Little, assistant principal bass for the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (ASO),
3 was a charter member in 1945 of the original Atlanta Youth Symphony Orchestra, the
4 forerunner of the ASO; and

5 WHEREAS, she is the only original member still playing with the ASO sixty-two seasons
6 later; and

7 WHEREAS, she has played under all four Music Directors of the ASO, Henry Sopkin,
8 Robert Shaw, Yoel Levi, and Robert Spano; and

9 WHEREAS, she has also played under such great guest conductors as Igor Stravinsky, Aaron
10 Copland, Pierre Monteux, Leopold Stokowski, Sir John Barbirolli, and James Levine; and

11 WHEREAS, she is an Atlanta native and attended the University of Georgia, commuting to
12 Atlanta from Athens for concerts after classes; and

13 WHEREAS, she also studied for four years with the principal bass player of the Chicago
14 Symphony; and

15 WHEREAS, she shared her love and knowledge of music as a teacher for over twenty years;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, her many professional achievements include her tenure as principal bass with
18 the Theater of the Stars Orchestra for 15 years; and

1 WHEREAS, she has played extensively with regional ballet and opera companies, as well
2 as in touring performances of the American Ballet Theatre, the Covent Garden Ballet, and
3 the Boris Goldovsky Opera Theatre; and

4 WHEREAS, she remains a passionate musician in the ASO's 95-member orchestra,
5 entertaining and inspiring nearly half a million people a year through her great talent, hard
6 work, fond memories, and kindness of spirit; and

7 WHEREAS, Ms. Little is highly esteemed by her fellow instrumentalists and colleagues for
8 outstanding musicianship and professional commitment; and

9 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is honored to have such a gifted and dedicated individual
10 as one of its citizens.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
12 join in commending Jane Little for her extraordinary career and ongoing contributions at the
13 Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and extending to her best wishes for many years of music
14 making.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
16 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Jane Little.